sake of global nuclear security, and the cuts to naval reactors in this bill directly threaten our future national security.

Mr. Chair, our Nation is facing too many challenges at home and abroad to afford such cuts to critical investments in our energy future and important nuclear deterrent programs, while at the same time increasing funding for the Fossil Energy Research and Development program. I urge my colleagues to oppose this bill and reinvest in those programs that look to our future, rather than relying on outdated technologies of our past.

HONORING CHIEF PAUL HARTSTEIN FOR HIS DEDICATION TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. ROBERT E. ANDREWS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 15, 2011

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Paul Hartstein, Fire Marshall for the Camden County Fire Department. Chief Hartstein will be retiring after decades of exemplary service to his community. His dedication is an extraordinary example for the entire South Jersey community.

Chief Hartstein, a native of Camden County, created a career serving his community. Prior to his appointment as Fire Marshall, he served as Fire Chief for the city of Audubon. Later, he worked as Vice President of the Audubon Fire Department and as a New Jersey Fire Commissioner. Try as he might, the chief can not fully retire; he will be acting as a part-time code official for the cities of Audubon and Haddonfield.

Chief Hartstein has been honored on several occasions, demonstrating his enduring commitment to South Jersey. He recently received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Greater Philadelphia Burn Foundation. Previously, the International Association of Arson Investigators honored Chief Hartstein with both the President's Award and the Investigator of the Year award. These decorations exemplify his dedication and ability as a firefighter.

Married for 29 years, Chief Hartstein and his wife are the proud parents of a daughter, who is studying in Boston, and a son who is following in his father's footsteps as a firefighter with the Cherry Hill Fire Company.

Firefighters are essential members of every community. Chief Hartstein has demonstrated the dedication, bravery, leadership, and sacrifice necessary to excel at this noble calling. I thank him for his decades of service to Camden County and wish him the best in his semi-retirement.

HONORING ROSEMARY WAHLBERG

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 15, 2011

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Rosemary Wahlberg, a loving mother, wife and long-time community advocate, who recently celebrated her 80th birthday on May 18, 2011.

Rosemary has dedicated her life to the service of the less-fortunate, inspired by her short time as a resident of public housing in the Quincy neighborhood of Germantown in the late 1950s and early 1960s. A mother herself, she was distraught by the plights of numerous widows and single mothers struggling to hold their families together. Never a woman to be deterred, Rosemary began her own personal "war on poverty" campaign, beginning as an employee of a recently-enacted federally-funded nutrition program. It did not take long for both her employers and those she served to understand the merit of her work ethic, passion and dedication.

For 25 years, Rosemary served as Executive Director of Quincy Community Action Programs, where she and her colleagues provided indispensable services from adult education and workforce development training, to food and nutrition services to housing assistance programs. With Rosemary at the helm, no fight on behalf of those families was lost, no goal left unattained.

Rosemary is known throughout Massachusetts as a fighter for the underprivileged, and a champion for the rights of all residents of the Commonwealth. She commands respect and admiration from law enforcement officials and local and federal government officials alike. To reflect on her work for our community is to reflect on a life of selflessness, devotion, drive and, above all, care for her fellow man.

The City of Quincy and surrounding communities are a better place thanks to Rosemary's patience, values and unrelenting strength. She is truly a modern-day hero of community activism, and one whose legacy will not soon be forgotten. Congratulations, Rosemary, on your 80th birthday and best wishes on many more years of fulfillment.

ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOP-MENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2012

SPEECH OF

HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 8, 2011

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2354) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes:

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Chair, today's FY 2012 Energy and Water Appropriations bill continues the majority's record of missed opportunities and misguided priorities when it comes to our Federal budget.

First and foremost, thoughtful Americans from across the political spectrum agree that we need to end our current dependence on foreign oil and replace it with affordable, reliable, homegrown clean energy. Yet this bill slashes funding for energy efficiency and renewable energy research programs by 40 percent below President Obama's request—and it decimates the game-changing work being done by the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy (ARPA-E) with a proposed 80 percent cut below the President's recommended level.

The health of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed and the rest of our Nation's waterways often rely on the Army Corps of Engineers. But today's legislation actually blocks the Corps from clarifying which waterways are covered by Clean Water Act protections.

Finally, this bill shortchanges nuclear non-proliferation and environmental cleanup efforts, reducing our ability to secure nuclear materials around the world and mitigate the impact of more than a half century's worth of national security-related nuclear activity here at home.

I urge a no vote.

IN RECOGNITION OF BUNA VESTIRE ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, July 15, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Buna Vestire Romanian Orthodox Cathedral as it celebrates 75 years of service to the Cleveland orthodox community this September.

The original Buna Vestire Orthodox Cathedral was founded on September 2, 1936 on Detroit Avenue in Cleveland. Since then, the church has relocated several times and today it is located on Wooster Road in Rocky River. Throughout the past 75 years the congregation has been deeply involved in the community. Parishioners have organized festivals. picnics, and bake sales to help promote and celebrate Romanian culture and traditions including traditional food and Romanian folk dance. Since its inception, the Church has celebrated both its Orthodox traditions and Romanian heritage. Additionally, the Church and its priests have actively promoted a "good Faith relationship" amongst pastors and communities of other denominations.

On September 10 and 11, 2011, Buna Vestire Romanian Orthodox Cathedral will celebrate its 75th anniversary of service to the orthodox community of the greater Cleveland area. Recently, the church has experienced an increase in attendance and has plans to build a new church and Romanian Cultural Center in Olmsted Township. The Church intends to continue to promote and enhance their mission amongst the community.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring Buna Vestire Romanian Orthodox Church as it celebrates 75 years of service. I extend my sincere congratulations to all members of the Buna Vestire congregation.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF DAVIS-BACON PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS

HON. JAY INSLEE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 15, 2011

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, today I voted against an amendment, offered by Representative GOSAR, that sought to prohibit funding in the Energy and Water Appropriations bill from being used to enforce Davis-Bacon prevailing